



**Name: Claire Smith**  
**Title: Governor Services Lead**

- School Governance
- Academisation processes
- Designated Safeguarding Lead



“I have worked with a range of Nottingham inner-city schools ranging from “Special Measures” to “Outstanding”. I am continually motivated to help drive School improvement to deliver high quality experiences for every child. Providing a positive school experience for children which leads them to be successful adults is what drives me to do the work I do”

Claire has been working with schools across Nottingham City for over 10 years, firstly as a volunteer Parent Governor and for the last 2 years as Governor Services Lead for Transform Trust. Claire has extensive knowledge of what effective Governance looks like and has been keen to driving changes to ensure Governance is reflective of education in 2017. She is a successful Chair and has strengths in building relationships and working for the needs of the children. Her knowledge and interest in keeping children safe is a key part of her role as Safeguarding Governor, and she shares this knowledge with other Governors.

Claire’s background is in leadership and management of administration teams and through this understands the bigger picture of all of the cogs that keep a child’s education moving. Claire works in an inclusive and sharing manner which ensures best practice is shared amongst all Governors.

She has a proven record of accomplishment of leading and managing schools in their journey from Requires Improvement to Good. With Ofsted recognising the work, she has done in leading effective Governance.

Claire delivers successful briefings to all Governors across the Trust and TSA, which keeps Governors up to date, knowledgeable and informed enough to challenge and question a schools journey. Claire models effective challenge and how to build positive relationships with staff and children.

Claire is a qualified Designated Safeguarding Lead and is passionate about children being safe and happy, as well as receiving the best education possible.

